

In the Matter of )  
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GE Healthcare Petition for Rulemaking ) ET Docket No. 08-59  
For New Medical Body Area Network )  
Service at 2360-2400 MHz )

To: The Commission

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The Advanced Medical Technology Association (AdvaMed) hereby submits this filing in support of the proposed secondary allocation of the 2360-2400 MHz band for the Medical Body Area Network Service ("MBANS"), including the operation of wireless medical Body Sensor Networks ("BSNs").<sup>1</sup> AdvaMed urges the Commission to move expeditiously toward a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM") to foster the development of short-range wireless medical device applications.

AdvaMed is the world's largest association representing manufacturers of medical devices, diagnostic products and medical information systems. Our member companies produce the medical devices, diagnostic products and health information systems that are transforming health care through earlier disease detection, less invasive procedures and more effective treatments. Our members produce nearly 90 percent of the health care technology purchased annually in the United States and more than 50 percent purchased annually around the world. AdvaMed members range from the largest to the smallest medical technology innovators and companies.

The proposed MBANS allocation would enable low-cost, low-power, high-throughput, low-duty cycle, high-quality, and short-range wireless medical device applications. AdvaMed agrees with GE Healthcare and other health care and technology participants in this proceeding that the proposed MBANS allocation would not only address the many challenges and demands in health care but would also greatly improve the quality and efficiency of health care delivery. The pending MBANS proposal provides the Commission with a tremendous opportunity to facilitate the improvement of health care delivery. The time for action is now. AdvaMed urges the Commission to move forward expeditiously with an NPRM proposing the creation of the MBANS service.

Respectfully submitted,



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<sup>1</sup> See *Ex Parte* of GE Healthcare in ET Docket No. 06-135 (Dec. 27, 2007); *Ex Parte* of GE Healthcare in ET Docket No. 08-59 (Sept. 18, 2008).